

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1 – 31 are presented for reconsideration and further examination in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner objected to claim 19 for depending from a rejected base claim but indicated that claim 19 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form; rejected claims 1 – 12, 14 – 17, 21 – 23 and 27 – 31 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,526,291 to Margulies (hereinafter referred to as “the Margulies ‘291 patent”); rejected claims 1 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,910,579 to Reinke (hereinafter referred to as “the Reinke ‘579 patent”); and rejected claim 13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over the Margulies ‘291 patent in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,394,298 to Zaidman (hereinafter referred to as “the Zaidman ‘298 patent”).

By this Response and Amendment, claims 1, 25 and 27 have been amended to incorporate the features of allowable claim 19; and the prior art rejections have been traversed.

Support for “at least one flap” can be found in figures 1 and 2, which show one flap, fig 3B, which shows two flaps, fig. 3C, which shows three flaps, and page 8, lines 26 – 30 of the originally filed specification. Support for the amendment reciting “a hinge portion” as opposed to an “integral” hinge portion can be found in the originally filed specification at page 7, lines 1 – 3, which refers to both integral and non-integral hinges.

### **Prior Art Rejections**

The Examiner rejected claims 1 – 12, 14 – 17, 21 – 23 and 27 – 31 as being anticipated by the Margulies ‘291 patent; rejected claims 1 and 20 as being anticipated by the Reinke ‘579 patent; and

rejected claim 13 as being unpatentable over the Margulies '291 patent in view of the Zaidman '298 patent.

### **Response**

By this Response and Amendment, all of the independent claims have been amended to recite the features of allowable claim 19. Since all of the independent claims contain an allowable feature, Applicants assert that these claims are allowable over the cited prior art. Similarly, since dependent claims necessarily contain all of the features of the independent claims from which they depend, Applicants assert that the dependent claims are also patentable over the cited prior art for at least the same reasons as the independent claims.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejections to the claims.

### **CONCLUSION**

In light of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes the application is not in condition for allowance, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney if it is believed that such contact will expedite the prosecution of the application.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

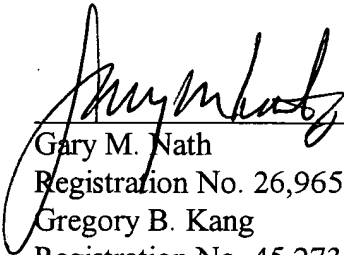
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